

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK**

THE NEW YORK TIMES COMPANY,

Plaintiff,

v.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, OPENAI, INC.,  
OPENAI LP, OPENAI GP, LLC, OPENAI, LLC,  
OPENAI OPCO LLC, OPENAI GLOBAL LLC,  
OAI CORPORATION, LLC, and OPENAI  
HOLDINGS, LLC,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.  
1:23-cv-11195 (SHS) (OTW)

Daily News, LP; Chicago Tribune Company, LLC;  
Orlando Sentinel Communications Company, LLC;  
Sun-Sentinel Company, LLC; San Jose Mercury  
News, LLC; DP Media Network, LLC; ORB  
Publishing, LLC; and Northwest Publications, LLC

Plaintiffs,

v.

MICROSOFT CORPORATION, et al.,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.  
1:24-cv-3285 (SHS) (OTW)

THE CENTER FOR INVESTIGATIVE  
REPORTING, INC.,

Plaintiff,

v.

OPENAI, INC., OPENAI GP, LLC, OPENAI, LLC,  
OPENAI OPCO LLC, OPENAI GLOBAL LLC,  
OAI CORPORATION, LLC, OPENAI HOLDINGS,  
LLC, and MICROSOFT CORPORATION,

Defendants.

Civil Action No.  
1:24-cv-04872 (SHS) (OTW)

**THE NEWS PLAINTIFFS' MOTION TO SEAL**

Under paragraph 22 of the Stipulated Protective Order in this case (New York Times Dkt. 127), Plaintiffs The New York Times Company (“The Times”), Daily News, LP et al. (“Daily News”), and the Center for Investigative Reporting (“CIR”) (collectively, the “News Plaintiffs”) respectfully seek to provisionally file under seal portions of their letter motion to compel. The letter motion seeks a conference to discuss a discovery dispute—specifically, the News Plaintiffs’ requests to set a target search term hit count and to require Microsoft to collect documents dated through July 1, 2024. The News Plaintiffs seek to file portions of this letter motion under seal because exhibits to the motion include and discuss documents that Defendants have designated as Protected Discovery Material under the Protective Order. Dkt. 127 ¶ 22. The News Plaintiffs do not affirmatively seek to seal any material. Under the Protective Order, Defendants have five business days to file a statement of reasons for why the material should be sealed. *Id.* The News Plaintiffs will review Defendants’ filings, and if necessary, confer about any disagreement.

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